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SUBJECT: RUMORED KIDNAPPING OF PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU'S SON

REF: (A) NICOSIA 2860; (B) NICOSIA 3065: (C) NICOSIA 2984

1. RUMOR IS SPREADING THROUGHOUT NICOSIA THIS MORNING THAT ONE OF PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU'S TWO SONS HAS BEEN KIDNAPPED. EMBASSY LOCAL EMPLOYEE CALLED PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE (PIO) TO REQUEST CONFIRMATION. PIO DEPUTY DIRECTOR SAID HE COULD NOT COMMENT OFFICIALLY BUT, OFF THE RECORD, CONFIRMED THAT "SOMETHING" HAD HAPPENED. LOCAL BRITISH REPORTER FOR BBC AND "GUARDIAN" INFORMS EMBASSY THAT HE HAS ATTEMPTED TO CONFIRM STORY BUT FOUND ALL PERTINENT OFFICIALS UNAVAILABLE.

2. IF KIDNAPPING HAS IN FACT TAKEN PLACE, SUSPICION IMMEDIATELY ATTACHES TO EXTREMIST FRINGE OF EOKA-B. ONLY THIS GROUP IS CONSIDERED SUFFICIENTLY RUTHLESS AND MOTIVATED TO CARRY OUT UNCLASSIFIED

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SUCH A CRIME. PRESUMED MOTIVE WOULD BE TO PRESSURE GOC INTO STOPPING PURGE OF RIGHT WING, CEASING PROSECUTIONS FOR PAST CRIMES, AND ENDING EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS AGAINST KAKIS (REFTELS).

3. MOST RECENT REPORT, ACCORDING TO SOURCE CLOSE TO CLERIDES, IS THAT KIDNAPPERS ARE DEMANDING RELEASE OF

"ALL POLITICAL PRINSONERS" IN EXCHANGE FOR RELEASE OF KYPRIANOU'S SON. CRAWFORD UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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